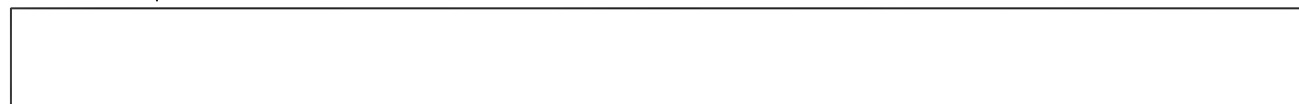




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1. North Vietnam

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2. South Vietnam

Student unrest continues in the Hué area. An antigovernment proclamation is being circulated and other propaganda material is being prepared. There are signs that this unrest will soon spread to the Saigon area.

A number of reports suggest that the Viet Cong are increasing their infiltration of the larger cities of South Vietnam, including the capital. The US Embassy is investigating.

US officials in Saigon say that some South Vietnamese generals have been making disparaging comments about the Marine victory near Chu Lai. The extensive favorable publicity given the American action seems to have struck a sensitive chord. General Westmoreland will try to see that the press gives South Vietnamese troops more credit in future engagements.

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3. Dominican Republic

Haggling over the terms of settlement continues.

Caamano is asking, among other things, for a change in the name of the "Act of Reconciliation." Imbert, for his side, has said only that he will "study" the revised terms. The military, too, may be drafting new demands.

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4. Greece

Parliament began this afternoon to debate the confidence vote on the Tsirimokos cabinet. Tsirimokos has been gaining, but his chances still seem less than even.

Papandreou drew good crowds on his tour of the countryside, but the rural population does not seem to support him as fervently as the crowds in Athens.

In the capital, the atmosphere is so heady with pro-Papandreou sentiment that the Communists, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] want to hold back because they fear that the agitation is swinging too many of their own followers into the Papandreou camp.

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5. Yemen

The agreement reported to have been reached by Nasir and King Faysal today, with its successive stages toward peace in Yemen over a 15-month period, reflects the deep, abiding suspicions between the Egyptian and Saudi Arabian leaders.

Both sides nevertheless now seem more genuinely interested in settling the Yemen question than they have ever been before. It remains to be seen, however, whether the Yemenis, some elements of whom have a vested interest in keeping the fighting going, will settle down and adhere to an agreement made over their heads.

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6. Kashmir

Ralph Bunche now says that his trip to South Asia is not likely. He told a US official yesterday, however, that "something new"--a statement by U Thant, for example--is to be announced.

Moscow, meanwhile, has made it clear that it thinks the Kashmir dispute should be settled. An article in Pravda today says such a settlement is "imperative," and expresses a hope that Soviet-Pakistani relations will "facilitate a normalization" of Pakistan's relations with India.

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7. South Korea

Student agitators plan to carry their demonstrations against the Japan-Korea treaty into next month,

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the students, many of whom have been paid by opposition politicians, plan to stage massive demonstrations in downtown Seoul and other cities tomorrow, and then to take a breather for a week or so. The government is deeply embarrassed by the demonstrations, but has kept them under reasonable good control so far.

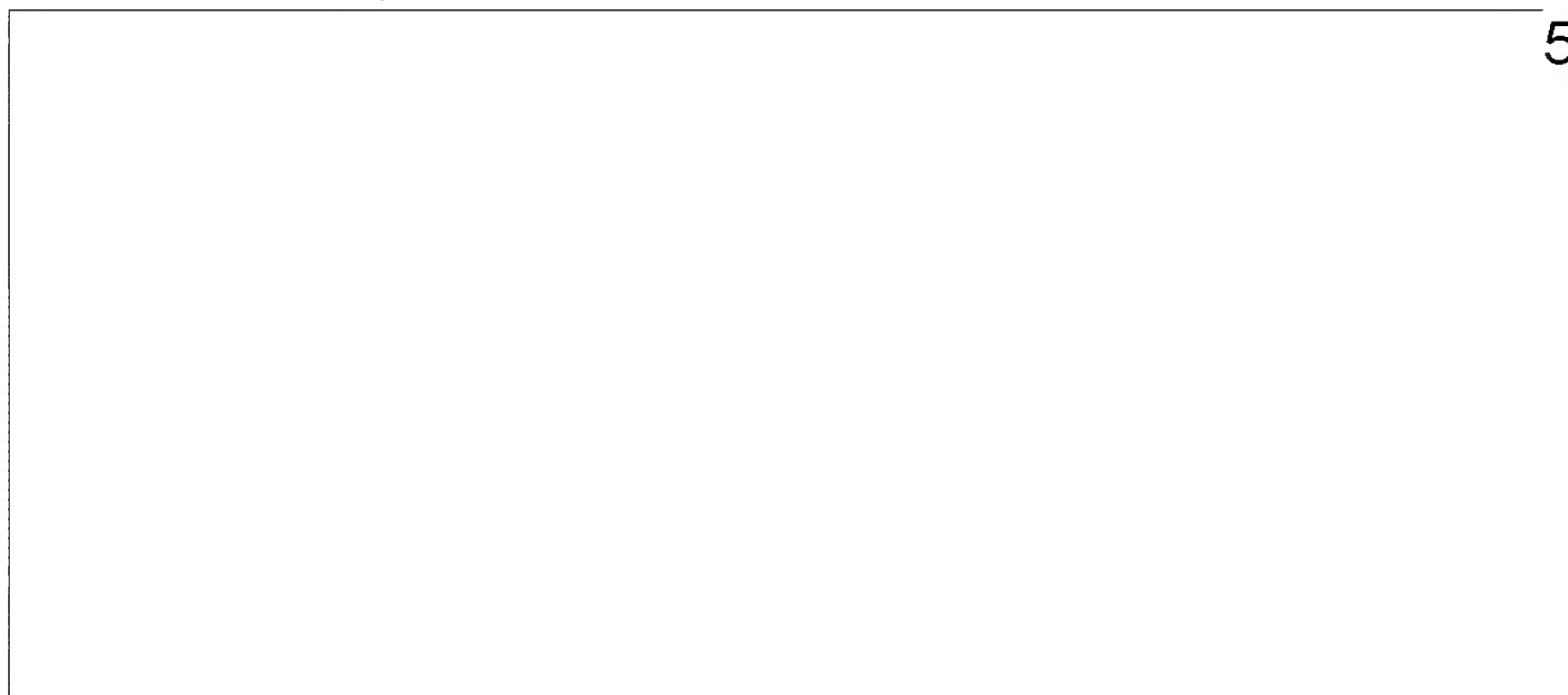
8. Indonesia

Adam Malik, minister of guided economy and the leading, unheeded pro-Western voice in Sukarno's cabinet, has indicated to Ambassador Green that the government may force the closure of US consulates in Indonesia and is prepared to "live with" the closing of Indonesian consulates in the US.

Malik is sure, however, that Sukarno intends to maintain diplomatic relations. Malik gave Green the impression that these matters were discussed in a cabinet meeting at which he was present.

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9. France



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